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SEAN LEV, FCC GENERAL COUNSEL, TO STEP DOWN BY YEAR'S END

(Washington, D.C.) – Acting Federal Communications Commission Chairwoman Mignon Clyburn announced today that Sean Lev will step down as General Counsel by the end of the year.

Acting FCC Chairwoman Clyburn said, “Sean Lev has been an outstanding General Counsel for the Federal Communications Commission and the American people. He has led the Office of General Counsel in support of critical agency initiatives that have benefited consumers, competition, and the public interest across the country. Sean’s legal counsel and leadership have been critical to ensuring that the Commission’s decisions on a range of challenging issues have been legally sound. His broad legal experience and unique insight have been invaluable to the Commission; they have furthered the agency’s public service mission for the mobile broadband era and have bolstered the agency’s reform efforts.

She continued, “Among other notable accomplishments, Sean has spearheaded the agency’s defense of the Open Internet rules; he has worked extensively on defending the Commission’s landmark Universal Service/Intercarrier Compensation Transformation Order, and he has led the Office of General Counsel to major victories in the D.C. Circuit on the Commission’s data roaming rules, and in the Supreme Court on the ‘shot clock’ rules for wireless facilities siting applications. I thank Sean for his fine work and his dedicated public service.”

In addition to the advice and counsel Mr. Lev has provided as General Counsel, he has also served for the last 11 months as the Interim Director of the FCC’s Technology Transitions Policy Task Force. In that role, he has led the agency’s efforts to ensure cross-bureau coordination on significant policy initiatives and helped the Commission move forward in assessing how it can best advance its core missions – protecting consumers, enhancing public safety, ensuring universal service, and fostering competition – in the context of a fast evolving technological environment.

Bio:

Sean Lev: Mr. Lev came to the FCC from the Department of Energy (DOE), where he served as the Acting General Counsel and Deputy General Counsel for Environment and Nuclear Programs. Before joining DOE in June 2009, Mr. Lev was a partner at Kellogg, Huber, Hansen, Todd, Evans & Figel, where his practice focused on telecommunications, administrative law, and appellate and general litigation. He was also an attorney on the Appellate Staff in the Civil Division at the United States Department of Justice. Prior to his service at DOJ, Mr. Lev clerked for the Honorable Patricia M. Wald of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. He graduated magna cum laude from Harvard Law School, where he was a Supervising Editor of the Harvard Law Review. He is also a magna cum laude graduate of Williams College.

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